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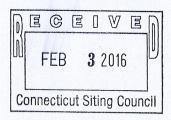
February 3, 2016

Mr. Robert Stein, Chairman Connecticut Siting Council Ten Franklin Square New Britain, CT 06051

RE:

Docket No. 424: Interstate Reliability Project

Monthly Construction Progress Report





Dear Chairman Stein:

Pursuant to RCSA Section 16-50j-62(b)(3) and as described in Volumes 1, Section 7, of the *Development and Management ("D&M") Plan for the Interstate Reliability Project ("Interstate"): Modifications to Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation and the Interstate D&M Plan for the Construction of New 345-kV Transmission Lines and Related Minor Modifications to Adjacent Lines,* The Connecticut Light and Power Company doing business as Eversource Energy (Eversource) hereby provides to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Council") this Construction Progress Report for the month of January 2016.

With both of the Project's new 345-kV lines energized (as of mid-December 2015), the only remaining Project activities consist of the completion of the SPS equipment removal at Lake Road Switching Station (which began in late January and will be completed in February) and the environmental monitoring (which is being performed to verify the revegetation / stabilization of the transmission line rights-of-way).

Should you or other Council members have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail at john.morissette@eversource.com or telephone at (860) 728-4532.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

INTERSTATE RELIABILITY PROJECT MONTHLY CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS REPORT JANUARY 2016

The Project (3271 and 341 Lines) are in service.

1. MODIFICATIONS TO SUBSTATIONS AND SWITCHING STATIONS

The removal of special protection system (SPS) equipment at Lake Road Switching Station commenced in late January 2016 and is expected to be completed in February.

Table 1 (attached) summarizes the status of work at Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation as of January 31, 2016.

2. NEW 345-kV TRANSMISSION LINES AND RELATED MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO ADJACENT LINES

All transmission line construction work, including site rehabilitation, was completed in mid-October. During January, a Project Environmental Inspector (EI) continued to monitor the status of revegetation and stabilization along the restored right-of-way (ROW). An EI will continue to perform these ROW monitoring activities until final stabilization, pursuant to permit requirements, is achieved.

Because the ROW restoration (stabilization) monitoring does not entail construction activities, construction progress on the transmission line portion of the Project was reported as 100% complete as of October 31, 2015. Therefore, no table of construction progress is included as part of this report.



Table 1 Interstate Reliability Project - Connecticut Substation / Switching Station Construction Progress Report (As of January 31, 2016)

	Activity			
Station	Construction Start Date	Site Preparation	Equipment Installation	Testing
Card Street	4/7/2014	100%	100%	100%
Lake Road	4/7/2014	100%	100%	100%*
Killingly	4/7/2014	100%	100%	N/A
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All Stations	4/7/2014	100%	100%	100%

^{*}All station work is complete except for very minor activities involved in the removal of SPS equipment at Lake Road Switching Station. This work was initiated in late January and is slated to be completed in February.